Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached: The <u>original</u> Employee Pre-Travel Authorization (Form RE-1), AND A copy of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.) American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF) Private Sponsor(s) (list all): August 12-20, 2017
Travel date(s):_____ Name of accompanying family member (if any): Relationship to Traveler:

Spouse ☐ Child IF THE COST OF LODGING DID NOT INCREASE DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.) **Expenses for Employee:** Lodging Expenses Transportation Other Expenses Meal Expenses Expenses (Amount & Description) \$2,336.51 \$1,619 \$1,105.10 \$2,673.50 ☑ Good Faith **Estimate** Breakdown Attached ☐ Actual Amount Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable): Transportation Lodging Expenses Meal Expenses Other Expenses **Expenses** (Amount & Description) ☐ Good Faith **Estimate** ☐ Actual Amount Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.): Attached (Date) (Printed name of traveler) (Signalure of traveler) TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER: I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel deserbled in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 36.

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(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

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American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF) August 12-20, 2017

Other Expenses (Amount & Description)

\$2,673.50

Breakdown of "other" expenses:

Security: \$915.06 per person

Speaker Fees: \$609.92 per person Tour Guide: \$191.88 per person

Hotels for contract staff (tour guide, bus driver, security guards): \$185.91 per person

Meals for contract staff and speakers: \$228.50 per person

Room Rentals: \$287.45 per person

Other: \$100.20 per person

Transportation for individualized tour of Syrian/Israel border: \$49.80

Entrance Fees: \$42.63 per person Photography: \$29.55 per person

Transportation for Contract Guests and Speakers: \$27.78

Tips: 4.82 per person

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF) Educational Seminar in Israel U.S. Congressional Staff August 12-20, 2017

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4:59 United #4254 departs Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport

6:24 PM United #4254 arrives at Newark Liberty International Airport

10:45 PM Saturday - United #90 departs Newark Liberty International Airport 4:20 PM Sunday

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

4:20 - 7:00 PM Arrive at Ben Gurion International Airport

Transfer to Jerusalem

7:00 - 7:30 PM Check into the Inbal Hotel

7:30 PM Depart for dinner

7:45 - 8:15 PM Setting the Stage

Welcome and Orientation

- at La Guta

8:15 - 9:30 PM The Pulse of Israel Today

Dinner with Matti Friedman

Author and Journalist

- at La Guta

9:45 - 10:15 PM Welcome to Jerusalem

Understanding Jerusalem's Historic Basin

10:30 PM Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

7:45 AM Breakfast is served

8:00 - 9:00 AM	Israeli Politics Primer Breakfast with Professor Reuven Hazan Political Science Department, Hebrew University - at the Inbal hotel
9:15 AM	Depart hotel
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM	 Strategic Overview of Jerusalem, Part I: The Old City and the Holy Basin Church of the Holy Sepulcher Via Dolorosa Southern Wall Excavations Western Wall City of David
12:30 PM	Depart
1:00 - 2:30 PM	Regional Threats Overview and the Palestinian Street Lunch with • Amos Harel, Military Affairs Correpsondent, Ha'aretz • Avi Issacharoff, Arab Affairs Correspondent, The Times of Israel - at Caffit Botanical Gardens
2:45 PM	Depart for the Knesset
3:00 PM	Security check
3:30 - 4:30 PM	Israeli Democracy in Action Meetings with Members of Knesset • The Honorable Merav Ben Ari, Kulana Party • The Honorable Ofer Shelah, Yesh Atid Party - at the Knesset
4:45 PM	Depart
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Strategic Overview of Jerusalem Part II: Jerusalem's Outlying Neighborhoods and the Security Barrier
6:00 – 6:30 PM	Return to hotel
7:45 PM	Depart for dinner

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8:00 - 9:45 PM	 Colleague to Colleague Dinner with Knesset Staffers from various political parties Michaela Cohen, Spokesperson to the Honorable Moshe Kahlon, Kulanu Party Tal Harris, Spokesman to the Honorable Amir Peretz, Zionist Union Party Ben Zilberberg, Advisor to the Honorable Amir Ohana, Likud Party Yair Zivan, Advisor to the Honorable Yair Lapid, Yesh Atid Party at Touro
9:45 PM	Overnight at the Inbal Hotel
TUESDAY, AUGUST 1	
7:45 AM	Breakfast on your own in the main dining room
	Luggage in the lobby
	Check out
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Regional Strategic Briefing: Syria and Iraq
	Briefing with Dr. Jonathan Spyer
	Director, Rubin Center, Interdisciplinary Center, Herzliya
	-at the Inbal hotel
9:15 AM	Depart the hotel
9·45 AM - 12·00 PM	The Meaning of the Holocaust in the Israeli Psyche
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12:00 PM	Depart
12:30 – 2:15 PM	Palestinian Perspective
	Lunch with Nidal Fogaha
	Director General, Palestinian Peace Coalition/Geneva Initiative
	- at the American Colony hotel
2:15 PM	Depart (
2:45 - 4:00 PM	A View from the Prime Minister's Office
	Meeting with David Keyes
	Spokesperson to the Prime Minster
	- at the Crowne Plaza Hotel
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4:00-5:15 PM Travel to Tel Aviv

En route briefing:

Let There Be Water: Israel Solves its Water Crisis

5:15 PM Check into Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel

7:30 PM Depart for dinner

8:00 – 10:00 PM Israel's Work at Home and Abroad: From Start Up to Tikkun Olam

Dinner with:

Gidon Bromberg, EcoPeace

Eytan Buchman, Freightos

Dr. Sion Houri, Save A Child's Heart

Sivan Ya'ari, Innovation Africa

- at Deca

10:00 PM Overnight at the Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

7:45 AM Breakfast is served

-at the Sheraton Tel Aviv

8:00 – 9:15 AM Israel's Missile Defense

Breakfast with Col. Yaniv Rotem, Head of Lower Tier,

Israel Missile Defense Organization

-at the Sheraton Tel Aviv

9:15 AM Depart for southern Israel

10:30-11:15 AM Life under Rocket Fire, Part I

Briefings on Israel's Border with the Gaza Strip

- at Kibbutz Nir Am

11:15 AM Depart

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Life Under Rocket Fire, Part II

Meeting with Oshrit Sabag, local resident

- at Kibbutz Nahal Oz

12:30 PM Depart

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1:00 – 2:00 PM Service in the IDF Todat

Lunch with Israeli Soldiers

-at Leonardo, Ashkelon

2:00 PM Depart

2:30 – 3:00 PM U.S.-Israel Cooperation: Iron Dome

IDF Briefing at Iron Dome Battery

- at Ashkelon

3:00 PM Depart

4:15 PM - 5:15 PM Arab-Israeli Perspective

Meeting with Mohammed Darawshe,

Director of Planning, Equality, and Shared Living,

Givat Haviva Educational Institute - at the Sheraton Tel Aviv hotel

5:15 PM Meeting ends

7:15PM Depart for dinner

7:45 – 9:30 PM Israel's Approach to Social Issues

Dinner with

 Tziona Koenig-Yair, Immediate Past National Commissioner, Equal Employment Opportunities Commission

Rabbi Dov Lipman, Director of Public Diplomacy,
 World Zionist Organization

Pnina Radai, Resource Development Manager, Olim Beyahad

Dan Slyper, LGBT Caucus, Yesh Atid Party

- at Spoons

9:30 PM Overnight at the Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

7:30 AM Luggage in the lobby

Check out

7:45 AM Breakfast is served

8:00 - 9:15 AM	Why a Jewish State? Breakfast with Dr. Einat Wilf Senior Fellow, Jewish People Policy Institute - at the Sheraton Tel Aviv hotel
9:15 AM	Depart for Israel's North
10:15 - 10:45 AM	Israel's Narrow Waistline Briefing at Alfei Menashe
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM	Depart
	 En route briefings: The Jezreel Valley:
12:15 - 1:15 PM	Lunch - at Dona Rosa, Ein Hod
1:15 PM	Depart
2:45 - 4:00 PM	Treating Syria's Wounded Visit to Ziv Medical Center
4:00 PM	Depart
4:45 - 5:30 PM	Hizballah Next Door Strategic briefing on the border with Lebanon With Lt. Col. (Res.) Sarit Zehavi, Northern Border Expert - at Mt. Adir
5:30 PM	Depart
6:30 PM	Check into the Galei Kineret Hotel
8:00 PM	Depart for dinner
8:15 - 10:00 PM	Northern Exposure: Life on the Border with Lebanon and Syria Dinner and discussion - at Decks
10:00 PM	Övernight at the Galei Kineret Hotel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18	
7:30 AM	Breakfast on own
	Luggage in the lobby
	Check out
8:30 AM	Depart
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Historical, Religious and Geopolitical Significance of the Sea of Galilee
	Visit to: ■ Mount of Beatitudes
	Church of the Primacy of Saint Peter
	Capernaum
	- Copernoun.
11:00 AM	Visits ends, depart, travel to the Golan Heights
12:00 - 1:00 PM	The Tragedy in Syria
	Strategic survey of the Israeli-Syrian border
	With Cpt. (Res.) Ilan Shulman
	- at Kibbutz Ein Zivan
1:00 PM	Depart
1:15 - 2:15 PM	Lunch
	- at Habokrim
2:15 - 5:30 PM	Depart for Jerusalem
	Travel via the Jordan Valley
	En route briefings:
	 Israel's Relations with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
	 Jordan's Syrian Refugee Crisis
5:30 PM	Check into the Inbal Hotel
7:15 PM	Depart
7:45 - 9:00 PM	Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem
	Dinner with Rabbi Susan Silverman and Yossi Abramowitz
	- at their home in Jerusalem
9:00 PM	Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

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7:30 AM Breakfast on own

- at the hotel

8:00 – 9:30 AM Depart

En route briefing:

Jericho Road and the E-1 Corridor: Strategic Concerns

9:30 – 11:45 AM History and Geopolitics of the Roman Empire

Visit to Masada National Archeological Site

11:45 AM Depart

12:00 – 1:30 PM Israel's Experience in Fighting the Encroachment of Desertification

Visit to the Dead Sea and lunch

- at Herods

1:30 PM Depart for Jerusalem

3:00 PM Return to hotel

Prepare for departure

Check out

5:30 PM Depart

6:30 - 8:15 PM The U.S.-Israel Relationship: Bringing it All Together

Closing dinner - at Ester's

8:15 PM Depart for Ben Gurion Airport

11:10 PM Saturday - United #91 departs Ben Gurion Airport

4:15 AM Sunday

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

4:15 AM United #91 arrives at Newark Liberty International Airport

6:00 AM United #4931 departs Newark Liberty International Airport

7:33 AM United #4931 arrives Washington Dulles International Airport

Form RE-1

(Revised 10/19/15)

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will <u>not</u> be considered or approved. This form <u>must</u> be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler:	Matthew Jensen
	Senator Orrin G. Hatch
Employing Office/Committee:	
American Israel E Private Sponsor(s) (list all):	ducation Foundation (AIEF)
August 12-20, 2017	
August 12-20, 2017 Travel date(s): Note: If you plan to extend the trip for an	y reason you <u>must</u> notify the Committee.
Israel Destination(s):	
Explain how this trip is specifically connected to	the traveler's official or representational duties:
relationship are policy issues which influence no Property. Patent Reform, and Defense Industrial	its about the U.S Israel relationship. Relative to the U.S Israel nany U.S. Domestic policy areas, including U.S. Foreign Aid, Intellectual al Base, to name a few. As Senator Hatch's Deputy Legislative Director, . As result of this trip to Israel, I will be better informed, educated, and foreign policy areas.
	N/A
Name of accompanying family member (if any):	
Relationship to Employee: Spouse Chi	ld
I certify that the information contained in this for	m is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:
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7-17-17 (Date)	(Signature of Employee)
TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATO Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority,	R/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms
Senator Orrin G. Hatch	Matthew Jensen hereby authorize
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name)	(Print Traveler's Name)
related expenses for travel to the event described	ept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for
I have also determined that the attendance of the of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box)	employee's spouse or chird is appropriate to assist in the representation
(Date)	(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should NOT submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee MUST also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1.	Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2.	Description of the trip:
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3.	Dates of travel: August 12-20, 2017
4.	Place of travel: Israel
5.	Name and title of Senate invitees: Please see attached
6.	I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories:
	(A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal <u>and</u> do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal <u>and</u> no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.
	(B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (see question 9).
7.	I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
	I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8.	l certify that:
	The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for de minimis lobbyist involvement.
	The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (see question 9).

9.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B) I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a
	foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies: (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip.
	(B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip (see questions 6 and 10).
	(C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.
10.	USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B). If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:
11.	An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I certify that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hourby-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.
12.	Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:
	AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing, and funding all aspects of this trip.
13.	Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission: AIEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with the mission of providing educational programming about
	the U.SIsrael relationship.
14.	Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips: Please see attached.

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Total Expenses for Ea	ach Participant:			
	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expense
	\$2,319.58	\$1,344	\$966	\$2,456.14
Good Faith estimate				Breakdow attached
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	Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:			
	Please see attached			
	Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first-class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:			
	Participants will fly coach class on a commercial airline.			
]	I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).  List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why			
I	the entertainment is an integral part of the event:			
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C	hereby certify that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (You must include the completed signature block below for each trayel sponsor.):  Signature of Travel Sponsor:			
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S	Signature of Travel Sponsor:			
S N	Signature of Travel Sponsor:  Name and Title:  Richard Fishman Executive Director			
	Signature of Travel Sponsor:  Name and Title: Richard Fishman, Executive Director  Name of Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)			
S N N	Signature of Travel Sponsor:  Name and Title: Richard Fishman Executive Director  Name of Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)  Address: 251 H Street NW, Washington DC 20001  Telephone Number: (202) 639-5233			

# American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF) Educational Seminar in Israel U.S. Congressional Staff August 12-20

# **Senate Invitees**

- 1. Toni-Marie Higgins, Legislative Director, Sen. John Boozman (R-AR)
- 2. Katie Waldman, Press Secretary, Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT)
- 3. Matthew Jensen, Deputy Legislative Director, Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT)
- 4. Blake Souter, Defense and Foreign Policy Analyst, Sen. Tim Kaine (D-VA)
- 5. Jared Jones, Military Legislative Assistant, Sen. Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)
- 6. William Bode, Legislative Correspondent, Sen. Thom Tillis (R-NC)

# American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF) Educational Seminar in Israel Congressional Staff August 12-20, 2017

### Addendum

## 2. Description of the Trip

This seminar, which will be on the ground in Israel for seven days, is specifically designed to explore foreign policy and defense issues related to the U.S.-Israel relationship. Some of the key issues to be addressed include: the status of Iranian compliance with the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, and Iran's continued malign regional activities; the impact of Syrian civil war along Israel's northern border; the internal political situations of both Israel and the Palestinian Authority, the status of the peace process; and the expanded cooperation between the U.S. and Israel in fighting terrorism and proliferation.

The seminar will consist of discussions with Israeli government officials, military officers, Members of the Knesset, Palestinian representatives and U.S. officials, as well as site surveys of the northern border with Lebanon and Syria, the southern border with the Gaza Strip, and the security fence. The seminar also aims to provide the political, historic, and religious context to the current conflicts and issues facing Israel and the region. It will explore the connection the three monotheistic religions have with the land and the influence this connection has on today's struggles. In addition to formal meetings and briefings, the trip provides experiential opportunities to help better understand the geographical complications, the security implications, and the historic root causes of the current conflicts.

# 14/15. Sponsor Information

Founded in 1990, the American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF) is the charitable organization affiliated with AIPAC, America's pro-Israel lobby. The Foundation's fundamental purpose is to maintain and further the relationship between the U.S. and Israel. AIEF works to inform the public about Israel and the importance of the U.S.-Israel relationship, to expand public awareness about issues affecting the Middle East, and to encourage participation in public affairs, especially by young people. AIEF grants support innovative and award-winning programming that educates a wide array of participants, including college students, members of Congress and their staff, and political professionals.

AIEF funds Israel Seminars for members of Congress, Capitol Hill staffers, students, political consultants, as well as religiously motivated pro-Israel Christian, Latino and African American leaders. These trips to Israel are among the most critical programs AIEF supports on behalf of the U.S.-Israel relationship. These educational seminars allow policy makers to understand the complex historical, religious and geographic context of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Participants have the opportunity to meet with Israeli government officials, military officers, members of the Knesset, U.S. government officials, Palestinian Authority officials and leading academics and journalists. For many of the participants, who make important decisions impacting Israel and the Middle East, these trips are their first, and sometimes, only exposure to the country.

Security: \$809.52 per person

-AIEF considers the security of its trip participants as its highest priority. A security team accompanies all participants throughout the trip.

Speaker Fees: \$523.81 per person

-Honoraria for guest speakers

Travel Agency Commission: \$284 per person (single occupancy)

-AIEF pays an upcharge of 21% per room per night, split between our U.S. and Israeli travel vendors

Tour Guide: \$214.29 per person

-As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the trip, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Hotels for contract staff (tour guide, bus driver, security guards): \$157.14 per person

Meals for contract staff and speakers: \$152.38 per person

Room Rentals: \$142.86 per person

-The cost of renting rooms at hotels and restaurants for meetings and meals with speakers.

Transportation for individualized tour of Syrian/Israel border: \$47.62

Entrance Fees: \$42.86 per person

-Several sites require an entrance fee, including the southern Western Wall excavations and the holy sites around the Sea of Galilee.

Transportation for Contract Guests and Speakers: \$28.57

Other: \$23.81 per person

-Briefing materials, miscellaneous

Photography: \$23.81 per person

-On each trip we take a group photo with a professional photographer

Tips: 5.48 per person

-It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany trip participants.

21. Per Diem

The expenses for lodging and meals are within the international per diems for Israel. The estimate for meal expenses includes the cost for meals, snacks, and water. It does not include alcohol, as we do not pay for alcohol per Senate ethics rules.

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PRESIDENT LEE ROSENBERG

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March 21, 2017

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Dear Matt,

We would like to invite you to join us for an educational seminar in Israel for congressional staff sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF). This year we are offering two seminars. This first trip will depart on Saturday, July 1 and return on Sunday, July 9. The second trip will depart on Saturday, August 12 and return on Sunday, August 20. Once you respond, you'll be able to indicate which dates you prefer on the confirmation form.

The trip will explore critical foreign policy and national security challenges facing both Israel and the United States and how the two countries are cooperating in dealing with these issues. The program will include discussions with Israeli government officials, military officers, members of the Knesset, U.S. officials, Palestinian representatives and leading academics and journalists. The program will also include:

Briefings on the status of Iranian compliance with the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, and Iran's continued malign regional activities;

In-depth discussions on the Israeli and Palestinian political climate and prospects for peace, as well as the political changes taking place in the region;

A visit to Israel's southern border and briefings on the threat posed by the terrorist organization Hamas which maintains control over the Gaza strip;

A strategic survey of Israel's northern border;

Visits to historic and religious sites in Jerusalem and the Galilee.

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No later than 30 days prior to departure, participants are responsible for submitting two forms, as well as a copy of this invitation to the Senate Select Committee on Ethics. AIEF will provide you with a copy of the "Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form." You must also submit a completed and signed "Employee Pre-Travel Authorization Form" to the Committee. AIEF is committed to ensuring that every aspect of the trip complies with the Senate travel rules. If you have any specific questions about the rules, please contact the Senate Select Committee on Ethics.

We hope that you will be able to join us on what promises to be a rich, insightful and educational trip. If you have any questions, or to confirm your participation, contact Aubrey López at (202) 330-4422 or by email at alopez@aiefdn.org.

Sincerely,

Richard Fishman

Executive Director, AIEF

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